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# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.51(b), 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants draw the Examiner's attention to the documents that appear listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of all such documents are attached hereto.

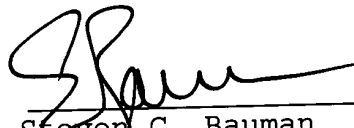
Applicants respectfully request that each of these documents be considered by the Examiner, made of record herein, listed on the "Notice of References Cited" to be issued in this application and printed on any patent which may issue from this application. Applicants also respectfully request that a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449, initialed by the Examiner, be

returned to Applicants' attorney together with the next communication indicating that these documents have in fact been considered.

Applicants request a prompt and favorable examination of the instant application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached by telephone at (860) 571-5001 or by facsimile at (860) 571-5028. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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<b>FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE</b> <b>(Modified) PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</b>  <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE</b> <b>STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</b>  (Use Several Sheets if Necessary)  <small>(37 CFR 1.98(b))</small>	<b>ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.:</b>  LC-499	<b>APPLICATION NO.:</b>  NYA
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